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Re: Application of Eiji ICIHARA, Yoshinori IMAMURA, and Takehiko YAMADA
PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR JUDGING RESIDUAL LIFETIME AND
END STAGE OF RUN-FLAT TIRE DURING CONTINUOUS RUNNING AT
A RUN-FLAT STATE AS WELL AS PROGRAM-RECORDED RECORD
MEDIUM

Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION

Our Ref: Q86135

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☐ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application. Also enclosed is a copy of the first two pages of WO 2004/014671 A1.
- ☒ 8 sheets of drawings.
- ☒ a copy of Notification Concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Document (Form PCT/IB/304).
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☐ a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☒ a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references. Also enclosed is a copy of the International Search Report.
- ☒ a copy of each reference (except the U.S. patent) cited in the ISR/IPER.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ It is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f).

A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, and a copy of the Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The PTO did not receive the following
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It is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.

The Government filing fee is calculated, **after entry of the Preliminary Amendment**, as follows:

Total claims	<u>29</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>9</u>	x	\$50.00	=	<u>\$450.00</u>
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Base Fee									<u>\$300.00</u>
Search Fee									<u>\$500.00</u>
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TOTAL FEE									<u>\$1810.00</u>

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1810.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2002-234472	August 12, 1002
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Respectfully submitted,

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